

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any cancelled claims at a later date.

1.-12. (canceled)

13. (new) A method for reducing a cost of processing user data transmitted in the direction of a communication device, wherein a bidirectional connection between the communication device and a communication partner entity is established for a service, and wherein the service does not require the user data transmission to the communication device, the method comprising:

transmitting user data user data from the communication partner to the communication device;

discarding at least part of the user data; and

transmitting information from the communication device to the communication partner entity indicating a trouble-free transmission of the user data from the communication partner entity to the communication device.

14. (new) The method according to claim 13, wherein the communication device is an information output system or a distribution system.

15. (new) The method according to claim 13, wherein the communication partner entity is a terminal or a gateway.

16. (new) The method according to claim 13, wherein the user data is transmitted as a user data packet over a packet-oriented network in the direction of the communication device.

17. (new) The method according to claim 16, wherein the information relates to a transmission quality of the user data transmitted from the communication partner entity to the communication device.

18. (new) The method according to claim 16, wherein a router upstream from the communication device discards the at least part of the user data.

19. (new) The method according to claim 16, wherein the user data packet is transmitted in accordance to a real time protocol (RTP).

20. (new) The method according to claim 16,
wherein at least a part of a plurality of user data packets arriving at the communication device from the communication partner are filtered, and
wherein the filtered data packets are discarded.

21. (new) The method according to claim 20, wherein the filtering is based on a port address.

22. (new) The method according to claim 16, wherein the information relates to a transmission quality of the user data transmitted from the communication partner entity to the communication device.

23. (new) The method according to claim 22, wherein the information is transmitted in accordance to a real time control protocol (RTCP).

24. (new) A communication system having a connection between a communication partner entity and a communication device, comprising:
a filter for identifying user data transmitted from the communication partner entity to the communication device, and
a simulation information transmitted to the partner entity to simulate a trouble-free transmission of the user data from the communication partner entity.

25. (new) The communication system according to claim 24, wherein the user data is transmitted as a user data packet over a packet-oriented network in the direction of the communication device.

26. (new) The communication system according to claim 25, wherein the simulation information relates to a transmission quality of the user data transmitted from the communication partner entity to the communication device.

27. (new) The communication system according to claim 25, wherein the information is transmitted in accordance to a real time control protocol (RTCP).

28. (new) The communication system according to claim 24, wherein a router upstream from the communication device discards the at least part of the user data.

29. (new) The communication system according to claim 24, wherein the user data packet is transmitted in accordance a real time protocol (RTP).

30. (new) The communication system according to claim 24, wherein a plurality of data packets arriving at the communication device are filtered, and wherein the filtered data packets are discarded.

31. (new) The communication system according to claim 30, wherein the filtering is based on a port address.

32. (new) A router in a connection path for a connection between a communication partner entity and a communication device, comprising:

a filter for discarding at least part of user data transmitted from the communication partner entity to the communication device, and

a simulation information transmitted to the partner entity to simulate a trouble-free transmission of the user data from the communication partner entity.

33. (new) The router according to claim 32, wherein user data is transmitted as user data packets over a packet-oriented network in the direction of the communication device, and wherein the user data packets are transmitted in accordance to a real time protocol (RTP).

34. (new) The router according to claim 32,
wherein user data is transmitted as user data packets over a packet-oriented network in
the direction of the communication device,
wherein the user data packets arriving at the communication device are filtered, and
wherein filtered user data packets are discarded.

35. (new) The router according to claim 34, wherein the filtering is based on a port
address.

36. (new) The router according to claim 32,
wherein user data is transmitted as user data packets over a packet-oriented network in
the direction of the communication device, and
wherein the information relates to a transmission quality of the user data transmitted
from the communication partner entity to the communication device.

37. (new) The router according to claim 36, wherein the information is transmitted in
accordance to a real time control protocol (RTCP).